Letter submitted via e-mail from

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WEST VIRGINIA DIVISION OF CULTURE AND HISTORY

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Mr. James R. Paschall Norfolk Southern Corp. Law Department 3 Commercial Place Norfolk, VA 23510-9241

RE: Docket No. AB-290 (Sub-No. 223X) FR#: 03-730-CY

Dear Mr. Paschall:

We have reviewed the above mentioned project to determine its effects to cultural resources. As required by Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, and its implementing regulations, 36 CFR 800: "Protection of Historic Properties," we submit our comments.

Architectural Resources:

A search of our office files found one resource that is considered eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places on the line to be abandoned. It is the Norfolk & Western Railroad Trestle built in 1946. We have determined that the proposed abandonment will No Adverse Effect on the trestle, but this is conditional on it being left in place. We would like to be informed if any plans are formulated for the destruction of this structure. Otherwise, no further consultation is necessary with this office regarding architectural resources.

Archaeological Resources:

We have determined that no known archaeological resources listed or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places will be affected by this project. No further consultation is necessary.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service. If you have questions regarding our comments or the Section 106 process, please call Robin Fisher, Historian or me at (304) 558-0240.

Sincerely,

Joanna Wilson Senior Archaeologist

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